Raiders Sweep Seminole District Tournament

BY BILLY THOMPSON

BEAT SR 91-51,
BROOKVILLE 53-45,
RUSTBURG 65-52

The Appomattox Raiders got balanced scoring and strong defensive performances when needed and swept to the victories last week in winning the Seminole District Basketball Tournament held at Lynchburg College. The Raiders whipped Staunton River 91-51 in the opening round at home to advance to the semi-finals against Brookville at Lynchburg College on Wednesday night. They beat the Bees 53-45 to set up the stage for the finals against Rustburg on Friday night where they also won 65-52 in the championship game. The Raiders had finished the regular season with a 16-0 record in the district and 19-1 overall. This made the third time the Raiders had beat each of these teams this past season as they upped their record to 19-0 in district play and 22-1 overall. Both Appomattox and Rustburg now will travel to Laurel Park High School in Martinsville to take part in the regional tournament starting Thursday night, March 1st. The Raiders had already qualified by winning the district, and Rustburg, being runner up, qualified also.

In beating Staunton River, the Raiders raced to a 49-22 halftime lead and the reserves played most of the second half as all 12 Raiders got in on the scoring. The first quarter saw SR make a go of it as the Raiders led on 22-16. Ricky Morgan scored 12 points in that quarter and Bobby Layne had eight to lead the Raiders. In the second quarter the Appomattox defense held SR to only six shots from the floor and six points, while they worked to their big man Leon Robinson who scored 14 points in that quarter. SR didn't score until there was only 2:43 left in the half. The game was stopped with 3:01 left in the half as Robinson hit a basket that sent him over the 1000 point mark and he was presented the game ball by Raider Coach, Cliff Morris, as the crowd never quieted down until halftime. In the 20 point third quarter Robinson hit eight more points as the Raiders upped their lead to 69-34. The subs outscored SR 22-17 in the last quarter.

Robinson led all scorers with 24 points as he hit his first 12 shots from the floor and finished the night missing only one. Bobby Layne was next for the Raiders with 19 points as he hit on nine of 13 shots from the floor. Sammy Waddell and Nathan Snell each had eight. The Raiders hit on 40 of 70 shots for 57% as they shot 50% or better in every quarter.

Staunton River was led by Ricky Morgan, who hit eight of 14 shots for 21 points. Randy Mitchell was the only other Golden Eagle in double figures with 13, 11 in the last quarter. The Golden Eagles shot 38% from the floor, hitting on 18 of 48.

The Raiders out-rebounded SR 44-25 with Robinson pulling down 14. Dennis Totty had six and Robert Smith came in to haul down six in the last quarter. The Raider defense caused 34 Golden Eagle turnovers as Bobby Layne and Sammy Waddell picked off pass after pass for easy baskets in the first half. Robinson blocked two shots and Totty and Layne each had one.

In the semifinals on Wednesday night against the Bees, the Raiders found the going a little rougher. They led 13-8 at the end of the first quarter, but went cold in the second quarter as 3:25 went by before they scored. In the meantime, Brookville scored nine straight points to take a 17-14 lead. Brookville led 25-19 at the half. The Raiders hit on only one of 12 shots in the second quarter, that one by Bobby Layne. The Bees hit five of nine from the floor. In the third quarter, things changed as the Raiders went to their press. Kenneth Gafford took the opening tap and drove for two points, a few seconds later on the inbounds play, Sammy Waddell stole the ball and hit Gafford under the basket for two more quick points. On the next play Leon Robinson got the ball and drove for two points and drew a foul as he tied the game at 25-25. His foul shot gave Appomattox the lead at 26-25 with only 54 seconds gone off the clock in the third quarter.

The Bees failed to cross half court in that time and went for four and one half minutes without scoring and got only six points that quarter to 13 for Appomattox as the Raiders led 32-31 going into the last quarter. It was all Bobby Layne in the last quarter as he scored 15 of the Raiders 21 points. He hit four of five from the field and seven for seven from foul line. The Bees got only 14 in that quarter.

Layne led all scorers with 21 points for the night and Leon Robinson and Kenneth Gafford each had 10. Dennis Totty had eight and Mark Eggleston four to round out the Raiders scoring. Layne was six of 11 from the floor and the team hit 19 of 43 for 44%.

Robert Shepard led the Bees with 15 points and Robbie Dawson had 12 points as the only Brookville players in double figures. The Bees hit 45% from the floor, coming on 17 of 38.

Appomattox hauled down 26 rebounds to 20 for the Bees as Robinson hauled down eight. Layne six and Totty five. Brookville had 16 turnovers to 15 for Appomattox. The Bees had only five turnovers in the first half, but the Raiders pressforced 11 in the second half as the game turned around.

It looked as if the Red Devils of Rustburg was going to blow the Raiders off the floor in the tournament finals as they used a run and shot offense. Rustburg led 12-8 at the end of the first quarter, but led 12-4 at one time as Curt Charlton scored 10 of the Red Devils points in that quarter. They hit six of their first seven shot in the game. In the second quarter the Raiders began to catch hold of themselves and with 4:13 left in the half Leon Robinson scored to tie it at 18-18 and was fouled on the play. The foul shot gave Appomattox the lead for the first time at 19-18. Victor Wood then hit for Rustburg to give them a 20-19 lead before Robinson put the Raiders back on top at 21-20 and they never trailed after that as they led 26-22 at the half. Robinson hit for 11 points in that quarter and Sammy Waddell six as he got hot on the outside. In the third quarter Layne scored eight and Waddell four more as they outscored Rustburg 18-8 for a 44-30 lead. In the last quarter Leon Robinson got hot on the outside and started hitting from 10 to 15 foot jumpers as he scored 12 points. Charlton and Alton Turner combined for 18 of the Red Devils 22 points, but it was to their glory as the Raiders continued to roll.

Appomattox hit on 26 of 50 shots for 52% from the floor and Rustburg 25 of 49 for 51%. The Raiders hit on 13 of 21 from the foul line and Rustburg four of six as they didn't go to the foul line until late in the fourth quarter.

Rustburg had 23 rebounds to 22 for the Raiders, but the Red Devils had 29 turnovers to 14 for Appomattox. The Raiders came up with 13 loose balls to only four for Rustburg.

Robinson led all scorers with 27 points as he hit on 11 of 14 from the floor and five of eight free throws and hauled down 11 rebounds. Bobby Layne hit for 14 points, seven of 11 from the floor and hit 5/8 for 4 five shots. Sammy Waddell, the only other Raider in double figures, had 10 points, hitting on five of six shots in the second and third quarters.

Charlton led Rustburg with 22 points and Turner had 14 as they combined for 36 of their teams points.

Robinson and Layne tied for first place honors on the All-Tournament Team and Charlton, Turner and Wood of Rustburg got the other three shots. Waddell tied for the number six spot with Shepard of Brookville. Layne and Robinson each hit double figures in all three tournament game. Robinson had 61 for three games and Layne 54.

Championship Game

Appomattox	8	18	18 21 - 65
Rustburg	12	10	8 22 - 52

Appo scoring	G	F	T
Waddell	5	0-0	10
Layne	7	0-0	14
Gafford	2	3-5	7
Robinson	11	5-8	27
Totty	1	0-0	2
Eggleston	1	0-0	2
Totals	26	13-21	65
Rustb. scoring	G	F	T
Turner	6	2-4	14
Wood	3	0-0	6
Charlton	11	0-0	22
Payne	2	2-2	6
Pilgrim	1	0-0	2
Inge	1	0-0	2
Totals	24	4-6	52

Semi-Final Game

Appomattox -	13	6	13 21 - 53
Brookville -	8	17	6 14 - 45

Appo scoring	G	F	T
Waddell	0	0-0	0
Robinson	4	2-3	10
Layne	6	9-11	21
Gafford	1	2-3	4
Totty	3	2-6	8
Eggleston	2	0-1	4
Totals	19	15-24	53
Brook. scoring	G	F	T
S. Myers	1	4-4	6
Blanks	3	0-0	6
J. Myers	0	4-4	4
Dawson	6	0-1	12
Shepard	6	3-5	15
Westphal	1	0-0	2
Totals	17	11-14	45

Quarter Final Game

Appomattox -	22	27	20	22 - 91
Staunton R. -	16	6	12	17 - 51

Appo scoring	G	F	T
Waddell	2	2-5	8
Gafford	3	0-0	6
Layne	9	1-1	19
Totty	3	0-0	6
Robinson	12	0-1	24
Eggleston	1	2-2	4
Snell	4	0-0	8
McCoy	1	0-1	2
Smith	2	0-1	4
Sears	1	1-3	3
Mann	1	0-0	2
Reed	0	5-7	5
Totals	40	11-21	91
SR Scoring	G	F	T
Morgan	8	5-8	21
Nichols	2	2-4	6
Mitchell	4	5-8	13
Henderson	2	1-2	5
Waterman	0	2-4	2
Bobbitt	0	2-4	2
Totals	18	15-26	51

Robinson Gets Seminole Honors

Leon Robinson, a senior at Appomattox County High School, is shown above with the basketball he was awarded when he reached his 1000th point in scoring for the Raiders on February 20, in the first game of the Seminole District play-offs when the Raiders defeated Staunton River 91-51; and is also holding the plaque presented him on Friday night at Turner Gymnasium when the Raiders defeated Rustburg 65-52 for the Championship title. The plaque was awarded Robinson on being named Player-of-the-Year in the Seminole District, Group AA - VHSL.

Robinson, a three-year Varsity center, was also named to the first team of the All-Seminole District basketball team for the 1972-73 season. Robinson led the Raiders in scoring and in rebounding for the season.

"I think we play well as a team," he said Friday night, "and this has been the key to our success".

The Raiders chalked up 22 victories this season, losing their only game to Buckingham on January 2nd.

Joining Robinson on the all-Tournament team was team-mate Bobby Layne, also a senior at ACHS.

Win District Honors

Mrs. Louise Martin, on the left, coach of the Appomattox County High School Raiderettes Basketball team, has been named Coach-of-the-Year in the Seminole District Group AA - VHSL, and Mary Louise McCraw, on the right, has been named Player-of-the-Year in the Seminole District.

Mrs. Martin has coached Appomattox since 1959 and has compiled a record of 151 wins and 49 losses while having only two losing seasons during her coaching career.

Mother of two daughters now attending college, Mrs. Martin is a graduate of Longwood College and is married to E. Carter Martin who operates the family farm in Appomattox County.

Mary Louise McCraw, a junior at ACHS, was named to the first team All-Seminole District basketball team for the 1972-73 season. She was named Player-of-the-Year in the Seminole District Group AA - VHSL on Friday night at Turner Gym in Lynchburg when the Raiderettes defeated Rustburg 35 - 25 and won the District Championship Title.

Mary Louise, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett McCraw, has played Varsity basketball for three years.

Mary Jane Smith, daughter of Mrs. Earl J. Smith, was also named to the first team All-Seminole District basketball team for the 1972-73 season; Jane Hix was named to the second team and honorable mention was accorded to Sally Harvey.

Raiderettes Win Girls' Seminole Tournament

BY BILLY THOMPSON

The Appomattox Raiderettes swept both of their games last week to win the girls Seminole District Basketball Tournament. They beat Altavista in the semi-final round 41-38 at home and then moved to Lynchburg College on Friday night to whip Rustburg 35-25 in the championship game. The Raiderettes are now 16-1 overall and 15-1 in district play so far this year. Winning the regular season championship qualified them for a trip to Roanoke this week end where they will be in the sectional tournament at Northside.

In the Altavista game the Raiderettes led 8-5 at the end of the first quarter, 21-13 at the half but saw Altavista come back in the third quarter to tie it at 27-27. Altavista then scored four quick points starting the fourth quarter for a 31-27 lead but the Raiderettes fought again and finally kept the lead as they outscored the visitors 14-11 in the last quarter.

Mary McCraw took game scoring honors as she scored 18 points for the Raiderettes. She was followed by Sally Harvey with 10 and Mary Jane Smith with nine. Singleton took scoring honors for Altavista with 16 points. Anne Harvey and Stacy Keatts each added six.

Appomattox, due to 26 points, hit on 13 of 38 shots at the basket but hit on 13 of them for 54%. Altavista, making 10 turnovers, hit on 46 shots at the basket and made 17 for 37%. The Raiderettes, having a field night on the foul line, hit 15 of 21 attempts to only four of 11 for Altavista. The game was tied eight times, five in the second half.

Trish Book tied the score at 27-27 as the third quarter ended. After four straight points by Altavista, Sally Harvey tied it for Appomattox at 31-31 with four minutes left in the game. Harvey then gave the Raiderettes the lead to keep 37-35 with 2:32 left to play as Altavista got only three points the rest of the way. McCraw got 10 of the Appomattox 14 points in the last quarter and Singleton of Altavista scored 11 second half points.

In the finals, the Raiderettes found themselves trailing 8-5 at the end of the first quarter, but a tight defense held Rustburg to only four points in the last quarter. Appomattox scored 16 points in the third quarter getting the 10 point margin. Little Joan Coleman put on a real shooting show for Appomattox as she took 10 shots and hit seven for seven for honors with 15 points, 10 of them in the last quarter. She had five assists. Appomattox's nine field goals and five of six free throws played a good defensive game also. Mary Jane Smith was next with 10 points for Appomattox and Mary Lou Crawford had seven. The latter got the Appomattox team's only three throws. Carolyn Johnson was high for Rustburg with 11 points but only had seven field goals as she hit 11 of 23 from the floor. Neither team shot very well overall from the floor as Appomattox hit on nine of 38 shots for 23% and Rustburg seven of 38 for 22%.

Mary Jane Smith led the Raiderettes the lead 18-9 at the end of the first quarter with Sally Harvey scoring the remaining as they outscored Rustburg 8-1 in that quarter. With 7:10 left in the third Coleman hit to give Appomattox a 24-23 lead and they never trailed after that.

Defense was the name of the game as Appomattox held Rustburg to only two points, Debbie Preston hit on a jumper and did a great job on defense for the Raiderettes as she seem to be all over the court and helped hold Johnson scoreless in the last quarter.

Semi-Final Game

Appomattox -	8	13	6 11 - 38
Altavista -	5	8	14 11 - 38

Appo scoring	Hit	Fouls	Points
McCraw	6	(8-10)	18, Rebounds
(5-6) 9, Harvey	4	(2-4)	Hix
1 (0-1) 2, Coleman	0	(0-0)	

Final Game

Appomattox -	8	2	11 14 - 35
Rustburg -	5	11	7 2 - 25

App scoring	McCraw	Harvey	Smith	Coleman	Hix	Preston
7, Smith 2	(6-8) 10, Hix	0, Coleman	5	(5-6) 15, Harvey	1	(2-3), Preston 0
(0-1) 2, Preston	0	(0-0) 0.				

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The Regional Basketball Tournament will begin Thursday, March 1st, when Chatham Hall hosts Lord Botetourt at 6:30 p.m. in the first game of the tournament and Rustburg Drewery Mason High School at 8:00 p.m. for the second game at Laurel Park High School.

The Raiders of ACHS will meet the winning team of the Chatham - Lord Botetourt game on Friday night, March 2nd at 6:30 p.m. in the first game of the semi-finals and Appomattox High School will meet the winning team of the Rustburg - Drewery Mason game at 8:00 p.m.

Should the Raiders win on Friday night, and we feel confident that they will, they will then play for the Regional Championship title on Saturday night, March 3rd at 8:00 p.m. at Laurel Park High School and will earn the right to go on to the State Championship Tourney on March 8, 1973, at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville.

Both Friday and Saturday night's games will be broadcast over WKDE Altavista Radio Station, 1055 on your radio dial.

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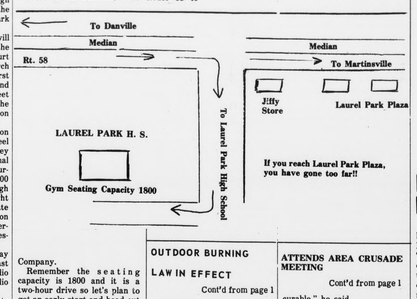
Remember the seating capacity is 1800 and it is a two-hour drive so let's plan to get an early start and head out for Laurel Park and support our Raiders, the Seminole District Champions.

The map below will show you the way to Laurel Park High School where the Regional Basketball Tournament will be played.

From Appomattox, Virginia to Laurel Park High School: Take Route 460 to Concord; Route 24 to Rustburg; and onto Route 29 to Danville; take Route 58 to Laurel Park High School.

It will be approximately a two-hour drive . . . the gym has a seating capacity of 1800 so get an early start and be assured of a good seat. Tickets for the Regional Tournament are $2.00 for both students and adults.



OUTDOOR BURNING LAW IN EFFECT

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Smith also pointed out that this regulation is in addition to any air pollution control laws that exist and that are enforced by the Air Pollution Control Board.

Foresters urge that any burning be done after 4:00 p.m. and that the fire be checked the next day to be sure all sparks are cold. Fires should not be left untended and every effort should be made to make all open fires safe.

According to Smith, there were NO forest fire violations in our county last year and he asks that the people cooperate again this year in the prevention of forest fires.

PREMIERE SET FOR NEW FEATURE

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Advance tickets will be $1.00, tickets sold at the door will be $1.25. Coupon books of 25 tickets may be purchased for $20.00.

ATTENDS AREA CRUSADE MEETING

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curable," he said.

Coach Coffey stated that there was scarcely a family in Virginia that hasn't been touched by cancer. He told how his father had died from cancer of the esophagus.

Later on his mother developed cancer of the colon and had to be operated on. Coffey stated that his father's death saved his mother's life because his mother was so conscious of the cancer signs she went to the doctor in the early stages and was saved. Coffey said that we should all get emotionally involved, "we should work in the crusade with his sure-fire plan called 'The Three E's' . . . Effort, Enthusiasm and Encouragement."

The Appomattox Cancer Crusade will begin on April 1st and April 8th has been designated as "Cancer Sunday" across the nation.

MASONIC SCHOOL CLASSES TO BE CONDUCTED

The 26th Masonic district school of instruction will be held March 5, 1973 at Southside Lodge 191, Pamplin. March 6, 1973 Monroe Lodge 301, Appomattox. March 7 and 8, 1973 Farmville Lodge 41, Farmville. All classes will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Rt. Wor. Charles A. Sinclair, Grand Lecturer will conduct all meetings.

Members of the respective lodges are encouraged to attend.

Cliff Rhodenizer, W.M.

TOWN COUNCIL DONATES

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It was reported that Police Chief Franklin was the only one to have been in the building used in the operation of Plumbing and Heating classes.

Shop Manager, Bill Slagle, stated to council that Well Nos. 5 and the adjacent lot have been purchased by the town from Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Allen. He further reported that the Communications Building, constructed to house the equipment, is now in operation.

Upon a request from the Police Committee, Council agreed to install chimes in the Police Department.

In other business, council agreed to construct a fence on the Town storage lot at W. M. Abbitt appeared before council on behalf of Mr. Ralph Hall, Attorney for the County of Martinsville, Virginia, to inform council that the company would like to construct a second laundry in the town of Appomattox. They have an option on two tracts of land, one lot is located on Church Street adjacent to the

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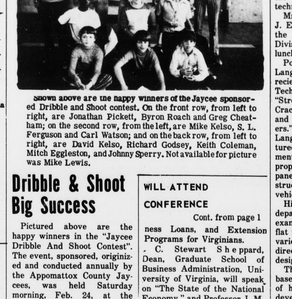

Shown above are the happy winners of the Jaycee sponsored Dribble and Shoot contest. On the front row, from left to right, are Jonathan Pickett, Byron Roach and Greg Chatham; on the second row, from the left, are Mike Kelso, S. L. Ferguson and Carl Watson; and on the back row, from left to right, are David Kelso, Richard Godsey, Keith Coleman, Mitch Eggleston, and Johnny Sperry. Not available for picture was Mike Lewis.

Dribble & Shoot Big Success

Pictured above are the happy winners in the "Jaycee Dribble And Shoot Contest". The event, sponsored, originated and conducted annually by the Appomattox County Jaycees, was held Saturday morning, Feb. 24, at the Appomattox County High School gym. It offered the opportunity for young men between the ages of 8 thru 16 to display their basketball skills. Contestants competed in four age groups with first, second and third place winners being announced. In age group 10, Greg Cheatham took first place with Byron Roach being second and Jonathan Pickett, third. In age group 12 it was Carl Watson in first place, S. L. Ferguson, second and Mike Kelso, third. Age group 14 top honors went to Mitch Eggleston with Mike Lewis and David Kelso tying for second place. Johnny Sperry captured the number one spot in age group 16 with Keith Coleman second and Richard Godsey, third.

The Jaycees presented trophies to all first place winners and will arrange for these young men to compete in State Dribble & Shoot competition this spring.

WILL ATTEND CONFERENCE

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ness Loans, and Extension Programs for Virginians.

C. Stewart Sheppard, Dean, Graduate School of Business Administration, University of Virginia, will speak on "The State of the National Economy," and Professor J. M. Holcumb, University of Illinois, Urbana, will address the Conference on "Who's Responsible for the Education of Farmers in Financial Management."

Among the other speakers, Thomas E. Snider, Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, will discuss "Agriculture's Role in World Trade and Balance of Payments," and Richard A. Goodling, State Director, Farmers Home Administration, will discuss agency's scope, operating methods, and joint loan programs.

Chairman of the VBA Committee on Agriculture, James A. Nolen, Assistant Vice President and Agricultural Services Officer, Fidelity National Bank, Lynchburg, noted the Conference is one of great importance to Virginia bankers involved with financing the future of Virginia's industry of agriculture.

Receives Reid Award At LRC

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the memory of the late Dr. Henry J. E. Reid, Director of Langley Research Center from 1926 to 1960, by recognizing the author of the outstanding technical paper of the year.

Mrs. Reid and their son, H. J. E. Reid, Jr., a scientist in the Flight Instrumentation Division, were guests at the luncheon.

Poe, an engineer in the Langley Materials Division, recieved the award for a Technical Report entitled "Stress-Intensity Factor for Cracked Sheet With Riveted and Uniformly Spaced Stringers." During his seven years at Langley, Poe's research featured analytical and experimental studies of fatigue crack propagation through stiffened panels typical of the metal structures of aircraft and space vehicles.

His award-winning paper departed from much simpler examples of crack behavior in flat metal sheets to consider a variety of practical problems of direct application to aircraft design.

The work reported by Poe is based on the analytical aspects of his research and included development and use of a complex computer problem. It includes numerous design charts for ready use in the design of aeronautical and space structures; designers using these results in his research can tailor their structures to assure maximum safety including the effects of fatigue or inadvertent damage.

Poe subsequently verified his analysis by conducting experiments on large specimens simulating aircraft wing construction to demonstrate agreement between theory and experiment.

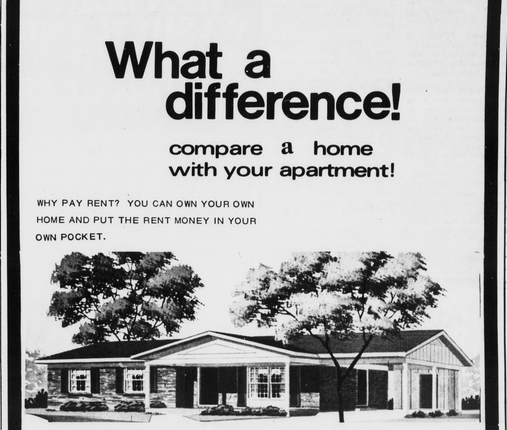
Selection of the winning paper was made by a committee headed by Dr. John E. Duberg. Langley Associate Director, from a group of nominations submitted by the Langley technical directorates.

Honorable mention certificates were awarded to W. B. Kemp, Aeronautics Director; R. C. Montgomery and H. G. Hatch, Electronics Director; R. N. Green, L. H. Hoffman, and G. R. Young, Space Directorate; and W. F. Hunter, Systems Engineering and Operations Directorate.

Poe is a native of Appomattox, Va., and was graduated in 1961 from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Engineering Mechanics. In 1969, he was awarded the degree of Master of Science in Engineering Mechanics by VPI&SU.

From 1961 to 1966, he was employed by The Boeing Company, Seattle, Wash., as a stress analyst. He has been a member of the Langley staff since January 1966, and is now on temporary assignment to the Aeronautical Systems Office, working on a project to install air engine nacelle built of fiber-reinforced composites on a commercial airplane.

Mr. and Mrs. Poe and their children live at 192 Beechmont Drive, Newport News.



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